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FOR WHITE HOUSE ADVANCE OFFICE, FOR WHITE HOUSE - PHIL WISE

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SUBJECT: SIGNING CEREMONY FOR PANAMA CANAL TREATIES

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1. I CALLED ON PRESIDENTIAL STAFF CHIEF COVARRUBIAS THIS MORNING AND HE IMMEDIATELY ESCORTED ME TO AN UNSCHEDULED MEETING WITH PRESIDENT PINOCHET. I DELIVERED PRESIDENT CARTER'S LETTER PERSONALLY TO PRESIDENT PINOCHET, WHO SAID HE WOULD HAVE A FORMAL REPLY THIS AFTERNOON. PINOCHET WANTED ME TO KNOW THAT, OF COURSE, HE WAS DELIGHTED TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT CARTER PERSONALLY AT ANY TIME THAT WAS CONVENIENT. HE ASKED ME TO REQUEST, HOWEVER, THAT SUCH A BILATERAL BE SCHEDULED EITHER FOR SEPT 6 OR FOR THE MORNING OF SEPT 8, POINTING OUT THAT HE HAD A FULL SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES SEPT 9 IN SANTIAGO IN CONNECTION WITH THE SEPT 11 ANNIVERSARY OF HIS GOVERNMENT.

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2. COMMENT: I WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE ON THE TIMING OF THE BILATERAL AS WELL AS INFORMATION ON OTHER ARRANGEMENTS AND LOGISTICS QUESTIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THE PRESIDENTIAL STAFF IS UNDER A GREAT DEAL OF PRESSURE TO GET GOING ON THE DETAILED PLANNING. END COMMENT.

3. I TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE MEETING WITH PINOCHET TO

INFORM HIM OF THE STATE DINNER ON THE EVENING OF THE 7TH TO WHICH HE AND MRS. PINOCHET WERE INVITED AS WELL AS THE FACT THAT MRS. CARTER WAS PLANNING A SEPARATE EVENT FOR THE WIFES.

4. WITH RESPECT TO HIS VIEWS ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST TO BE DISCUSSED, PINOCHET SAID THAT HE WOULD NOT ADDRESS THESE IN HIS FORMAL LETTER TO PRESIDENT CARTER. HE SAID THAT FOLLOWING SOME THOUGHT AND ANALYSIS HE WOULD HAVE GENERAL COVARRUBIAS TRANSMIT GOC VIEWS TO ME SO THAT I COULD INFORM PRESIDENT CARTER THROUGH OUR CHANNELS. I AM MEETING WITH COVARRUBIAS LATER IN THE DAY.

5. FOLLOWING THE MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT, COVARRUBIAS AND I AGAIN COVERED SEVERAL POINTS:

-- THAT THE STATE DINNER WOULD BE FOR PRESIDENT AND MRS. PINOCHET SEPT 7.

-- THAT MRS. CARTER WAS PLANNING A SEPARATE EVENT FOR WIFES.

-- THAT PRESS REPORTS INDICATING THAT HEADS OF STATE/GOVERNMENT WOULD BE ASKED TO SIGN THE PROTOCOL TO THE NEUTRALITY TREATY WERE INACCURATE (STATE 205650).
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-- THAT I WAS TO SUGGEST TACTFULLY THAT THE GOC DELEGATION BE AS SMALL AS WAS APPROPRIATE.

6. ON THE SIZE OF THE DELEGATION, COVARRUBIAS SAID THAT THE CHILEAN GROUP WOULD BE COMPOSED OF AN OFFICIAL COMMITTEE AND SERVICE ELEMENTS (SECURITY, PRESS, ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT, ETC.). IT WAS PLANNED THAT THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE WOULD BE COMPOSED OF PRESIDENT AND MRS. PINOCHET, THE PRESIDENT'S FOUR AIDES DE CAMP, FOREIGN MINISTER CARVAJAL AND PRESIDENTIAL STAFF CHIEF COVARRUBIAS. IN THIS CONNECTION, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO KNOW THE SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF NEIGHBORING OFFICIAL DELEGATIONS.
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